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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).

# OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, <u>Carl Oppenheimer</u> , swear (or affirm) that, to the best of m financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm <u>December 31</u> , <u>2010</u> , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest	) that neither the company nor any partner,
customer, except as follows:	
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(b) Statement of Financial Condition.	
(c) Statement of Income (Loss).	
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(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to	) Rule 1503-3.
(i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Und (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation	tion of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the
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(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Ficonsolidation.	inancial Condition with respect to methods of
(l) An Oath or Affirmation.	
<ul> <li>(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.</li> <li>(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found</li> </ul>	d to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
(o) A reconciliation of net capital per original focus report to net capital	•

\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).



### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Stockholders of Oppenheimer & Close, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of OPPENHEIMER & CLOSE, INC. (New York Corporation) as of December 31, 2010. The financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Oppenheimer & Close, Inc. at December 31, 2010, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

New York, New York February 4, 2011



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents United States Treasury Bill - Due February 17, 2011 Certificate of deposit - Due November 14, 2011 Commissions receivable Due from related party Prepaid expenses New York City income taxes receivable Security deposit Furniture, fixtures and equipment - at cost (less accumulated depreciation of \$97,293)	\$ 584,069 113,984 117,639 177 6,362 41,907 1,380 3,850 9,474
	\$ 878,842
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses  Deferred New York City income taxes	\$ 53,561 706
	 54,267
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Common stock, no par value, 200 shares authorized, 100 shares issued and outstanding	50,000 165,000 609,575
Total stockholders' equity	 824,575
	\$ 878,842

### NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

### ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS:

Oppenheimer & Close, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York on April 29, 1984 to engage in business as a broker-dealer. The Company is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a broker/dealer in securities, is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and is registered as an investment advisor under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940. The Company conducts operations exclusively in New York, however, some customers are located in other states.

The Company operates as an introducing broker and does not hold funds or securities for customers, owe money or securities to customers, and does not carry accounts of or for customers. Revenue is derived principally from commissions received on security trades executed for customers and from fees for investment advisory services based on a percentage of each customers quarterly account balance.

#### **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

METHOD OF ACCOUNTING - The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the accounting period in which revenues are earned regardless of when cash is received, and recognizes expenses in the accounting period in which expenses are incurred regardless of when cash is disbursed.

MANAGEMENT'S USE OF ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS – The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

REVENUE RECOGNITION - Securities transactions and the related commission revenue are recorded on a trade date basis, which is the day the transaction is executed. Investment advisory fees are charged quarterly and recognized as earned on a pro rata basis over the quarter.

### NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

5	SUMMARY	OF	SIGNIFIC	ANT A	CCOU	NTING	<b>POLICI</b>	ES
(	Continued)	:						

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS – Investments in money funds, certificates of deposit, treasury bills and similar investments with maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase are considered cash equivalents.

FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION - Furniture, fixtures and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation for financial accounting purposes is computed on the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives of 5 to 7 years.

INCOME TAXES - The Company uses FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes, in reporting deferred income taxes. FASB ASC 740 requires a company to recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future income tax consequences of events that have been recognized in the company's financial statements. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on temporary differences between the financial carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect in the years in which the temporary differences are expected to reverse. Effective October 1, 1998, the Company elected to be taxed under Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code whereby its income is taxed directly to the stockholders whether or not distributed. Accordingly, no federal or New York State income tax provision has been reflected. However, the Company conducts activities in New York City which does not recognize S Corporation status, and thus the Company is liable for New York City corporate income taxes including an alternative tax based upon net income and officers' salaries.

### **CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:**

Cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2010 are comprised of the following:

Cash	\$ 31,012
Money market funds	453,072
United States Treasury Bill - Due February 10, 2011	99,985
	\$ 584.069

### NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

### **DEFERRED INCOME TAXES:**

Deferred New York City income taxes payable of \$706 at December 31, 2010 is comprised of New York City income taxes on accelerated depreciation for tax purposes.

### **COMMITMENT:**

The Company leases office space through February 29, 2012.

The future annual lease payments are as follows for the year ended December 31:

2011	\$ 50,648
2012	8,441
	\$ 59,089

#### **CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISKS:**

The Company has agreed to indemnify its clearing broker for credit losses that the clearing broker may sustain from the customer accounts introduced by the Company. Should a customer not fulfill his obligation on a trade date transaction the Company may be required to buy or sell securities at prevailing market prices in the future on behalf of their customers. All unsettled trades at December 31, 2010 were settled subsequent to the balance sheet date with no resulting liability to the Company.

At December 31, 2010, cash and cash equivalents of \$458,110 and a United States Treasury Bill of \$113,984, are held with one domestic broker. The clearing and depository operations for the Company's security transactions are provided by such broker.

# NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

### **CONCENTRATION OF RISK OF CUSTOMERS:**

The Company derived \$189,097 or 76% of its commission income from four customers. The investment manager of these four entities is a limited liability company owned by the Company's shareholders.

# INVESTMENTS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE ON A RECURRING BASIS:

The Company used FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, for fair value measurements and disclosures. FASB ASC 820 defines fair value and establishes a framework for measuring fair value. It also expands the disclosure about the use of fair value to measure assets and liabilities.

The Company has categorized its financial instruments, based on priority of inputs to the valuation technique, into a three-level fair value hierarchy. The fair value gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1), then to quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities and other observable inputs (level 2) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3). If the inputs used to measure financial instruments fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the instrument.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis comprise of a United States Treasury Bill valued at \$113,984 and a certificate of deposit valued at \$117,639. Fair value was determined based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1).

### **NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS:**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1 (and the rule of the "applicable" exchange also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). At December 31, 2010, the Company had net capital of \$748,130 which was \$498,130 in excess of its required net capital of \$250,000. The Company's net capital ratio was .0716 to 1.

# NOTES TO STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

### **PROFIT SHARING PLAN:**

The Company has a profit sharing plan for all eligible employees. Contributions to the plan are at the discretion of the officers and directors of the Company. For the year ended December 31, 2010, the Company did not accrue a profit sharing plan contribution.

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:**

The Company charges an administrative service fee to a limited liability company owned by the Company's shareholders. The fee is either based on expenditures incurred on behalf of the limited liability company or based on a percentage determined using an allocation of work hours spent by the Company's employees. Due from related party on the statement of financial condition of \$6,362 represents administrative service fees due from the limited liability company owned by the Company's shareholders at December 31, 2010.

### FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT:

The Company's furniture, fixtures and equipment at December 31, 2010 consist of the following:

Furniture and fixtures	62,300 44,467
Less accumulated depreciation	106,767 (97,293)
Fixed assets, net	\$ 9,474

### **SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:**

The date to which events occurring after December 31, 2010, the date of the most recent balance sheet, have been evaluated for possible adjustment to the financial statements or disclosure is February 4, 2011, which is the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

REPORT ON STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

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# REPORT PURSUANT TO SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 17a-5 (e) (4)

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010



# Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures Related to an Entity's SIPC Assessment Reconciliation

To the Stockholders of Oppenheimer & Close, Inc.:

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying Schedule of Assessments and Payments [General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7)] to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the year ended December 31, 2010, which were agreed to by Oppenheimer & Close, Inc. and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating Oppenheimer & Close, Inc.'s compliance with the applicable instructions of the General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7). Oppenheimer & Close, Inc.'s management is responsible for Oppenheimer & Close, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The procedures we performed and our findings are as follows:

- 1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursements record entries noting no differences;
- 2. Compared the amounts reported on the audited Form X-17A-5 for the year ended December 31, 2010, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7 for the year ended December 31, 2010, noting no differences;
- 3. Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules and working papers noting no differences;
- 4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related schedules and working papers supporting the adjustments noting no differences; and
- 5. Compared the amount of any overpayment applied to the current assessment with the Form SIPC-7T on which it was originally computed noting no differences.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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New York, New York February 7, 2011

# SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AND PAYMENTS TO THE SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION (SIPC) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	DATE PAID OR FILED	MENTS ADE	-	NUAL SSMENT
SIPC-6 general assessment for the first half of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010	July 23, 2010	\$ 1,446		
SIPC-7 general assessment for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010	February 7, 2011	 1,463	\$	2,909
		\$ 2,909	\$	2,909